

PEASANTS KILLED CRYING FOR FOOD

Starving Russians Attack Commissaries to Save Family and Cattle.

CONDITIONS IN LAND PITIABLE

Agrarian Disorders Have Reached High Pitch and Are Expected to Grow Worse—Drought Finally Broken, but Rains Came Too Late.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, July 8.—The first paragraph of the proposed agrarian law, viz: the augmentation of the lands of the peasants by the expropriation of all State and crown domains and church and monastery lands, has been accepted by the commission of the lower house with practical unanimity. The commissioners have now locked horns over the mode of expropriation and the method of disposal of private estates, and the end is not yet in sight.

The determination to expropriate church lands, which, in distinction to the great estates owned by the monasteries, are scattered like the seeds of the common schools in America, in small tracts throughout the country, and support the local clergy, will cause complications.

Peasants Starving.
A correspondent of the Associated Press has just completed a tour of the provinces of Samara and Saratov. He reports that the drought is finally broken, but the rains have come too late to save the crop and help the peasants, who are in a pitiable condition. Their cattle have been sold or are starving in the fields.

The government relief granaries were completely emptied during last year's famine. The present agrarian disorders, which can be expected to grow worse, are due largely to the necessity of peasants for saving food and forage to preserve their lives and save from starvation the remainder of their cattle. These disorders have reached the highest pitch in the province of Voronezh, where the troops and Cossacks, although in considerable force, are practically helpless and on the defensive.

Several Killed.
According to a telegram received here from Tambov, peasants on the estate of Princess Bariatinsky attacked a commissary and a posse of rural police. The commissary and four policemen were seriously wounded. In another section of the province of Tambov, a body of Cossacks, armed with pitchforks and pikes, attacked a detachment of troops. Because of this resistance, the troops fired, killing three peasants and wounding many others. At Kadabay, southeast of Tiflis, a hand-to-hand fight has occurred between Cossacks and an armed band of peasants, in the result of which several men were killed on both sides.

There has been a fatal encounter at Krasnopolsk, in the province of Podolia, between rich peasants and poor peasants. The poor men were incensed because the rich men had sent a telegram to the lower house protesting against the proposed distribution of land. In the fighting, one of the wealthy peasants killed four and seriously wounded several of the poorer men.

Disorder on Minister's Estate.
In St. Petersburg a thousand workmen have met and passed a resolution opposing the agrarian programme of the Group of Told in the lower house. They declare that fearful consequences would ensue if this programme became effective, and urge the members of the group to reconsider their error and co-operate with the social Democrats and the laborites.

There have been grave disorders on the estate of Minister of Agriculture Stichtinsky, in Tula Province.

The representative of the Associated Press at Rostov reports that the crop conditions in the Kuban and Don Districts are above the average.

Agrarian disorders among the Cossack agricultural population are not expected, although there has been some ferment among the military levies over having to do police duty.

Words Too Big.
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UPTON SINCLAIR

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Announces That He Will Accept Nomination of Socialists in New Jersey County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
TRENTON, N. J., July 8.—The Socialists of Mercer county will hold a convention here on July 21st for the purpose of nominating candidates for the fall campaign. A county committee, composed of Louis Pohl, Richard Smith, George Carltidge, Thos. Dennis and John Richards, all of whom are Socialists, was deputed some time ago to ascertain whether Upton Sinclair, author of "The Jungle," would accept the nomination for Congress. Mr. Sinclair has informed the committee that his literary labors would not permit him to enter the political field with the ardor that is his usual wont, but if his comrades desired him to run for Congress it was not for him to shrink the issue. It is announced on good authority that Mr. Sinclair will receive the nomination. Mr. Sinclair lives at Princeton, but he is a prominent member of the Mercer county Socialists.

KING AND KAISER KISS EACH OTHER

(By Associated Press.)
TRONDHEIM, NORWAY, July 8.—Emperor William arrived here this afternoon on the Hamburg. King Haakon immediately went on board, and the two monarchs embraced cordially, kissing each other several times. They remained together in the State cabin for forty minutes. Afterward they went ashore and drove to the palace, amid the enthusiastic acclamations of the crowd. At the palace the German emperor was greeted by Queen Maud, and the little Crown Prince Olaf was presented to him. At the end of this visit Emperor William returned to the Hamburg. He came ashore later in the evening again, and attended a gala dinner at the palace. The press of Norway comments on the importance of this visit.

SLAYER OF PROFESSOR ENDS HIS LIFE IN CELL

(By Associated Press.)
BREWTON, ALA., July 8.—Fred Leslie Hancock, who murdered Professor Jesse Cougle, and who figured in a sensational trial for the crime at the last term of the Circuit Court, committed suicide in his cell in the Escambia county jail to-night by taking an ounce of carbolic acid.

INFATUATED SUITOR SHOT LAWYER DOWN

(By Associated Press.)
SEATTLE, WASH., July 8.—C. Mendo Emory, a lawyer, was shot and probably fatally wounded at his home last night by Chester Thompson, a student at the University of Washington and son of William H. Thompson, formerly an attorney for the Great Northern Railroad Company.

Thompson, it is said, was infatuated with Miss Charlotte Whiteley, a niece of Emory and Miss Whiteley. He is alleged to have requested her uncle to prevent the young man from entering the house. When Emory attempted to carry out his place, the shooting Thompson barricaded himself in a room in the Emory house, occupied by the wounded man's two small children, and refused to surrender until his father arrived.

Transport Floated.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, July 8.—The Navy Department was advised to-day that the United States army transport, Thomas, which went ashore at Guam, was floated at high tide yesterday.

FORMER CONSUL AND WAR VETERAN

Boston Man Dies at Lawrenceville of Wounds Received at El Caney.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LAWRENCEVILLE, VA., July 8.—W. P. Kenbis, a young man, of Boston, Mass., who has been here for some time for his health, died at the Central Hotel this morning about 8 o'clock, from paralysis.

DREAM LED GAGE TO THEOSOPHISTS

Distinguished Financier Joins Point Loma Colony in San Francisco.

WEIRD CEREMONIES ARE PRACTICED

Cult Aims to Establish Faith in Reincarnation of Souls—Men, Dressed Like Ancient Greeks—"Starvation" One of Features.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LOS ANGELES, July 8.—Lyman J. Gage, Secretary of the Treasury under Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt, has taken up his residence at Point Loma to study theosophy under Mme. Tingley. The distinguished financier, who was seventy years of age on June 25th last, has taken this step, he says, in accordance with instructions received in a dream.

Ell Gage, of Chicago; Mrs. Brainerd, of Denver, son and daughter of Mr. Gage, and Mrs. E. E. Miller, a niece, also influenced Mr. Gage to join the Tingley "universal brotherhood" cult. Its avowed object is to promote the study of ancient and modern religions, philosophies and sciences; to investigate the unexplained laws of nature and the physical powers of man, and to establish faith in the reincarnation of souls. Mrs. Tingley herself has a memory of having been born in 1200 B. C., she says, when she and Mme. Blavatsky camped around on the banks of the Nile.

Weird Ceremonies.
The life lived by members of the Point Loma colony, which Mr. Gage will adopt, is one succession of weird ceremonies. The men are dressed somewhat as Greeks and Romans; were wont to array themselves in white undershirts, a suit of pelamas, reaching to the knee, below which the legs are bare. Draped about the shoulders is a piece of cheesecloth.

Passing into the sacred ground these men range themselves facing the sun. There is a short reading, perhaps from the "Orits," perhaps one of Spot's letters, which this inspiring dog contributes religiously to the brotherhood, and then each steps down and picks up a little handful of dirt and tosses it back again. That is all. Ex-communited Tingleyites snort at the ceremony.

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Is Superb Tract.
Point Loma is a superb tract of 1,000 acres, adorned with magnificent buildings. The total value of the tract and the buildings is estimated at \$2,000,000. The theosophists are possessed of other property, which in all forms, is worth close to \$2,000,000.

Since 1875 the society, which has branches in America, Great Britain, India, Scandinavia, Holland, France, Italy, Germany, Australia and New Zealand, has admitted 8,000 members, and chartered 750 branches. In the United States there are 2,400 members and 63 branches.

Since his retirement from President Roosevelt's Cabinet in 1902 Mr. Gage, a member of the cult, has made his home in New York, where he is president of the United States Trust Company. Before entering President McKinley's Cabinet in 1897 he was president of the First National Bank of Chicago, the largest financial institution in the West.

David Swing's Independent Church, in Central Music Hall. The Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, now of Brooklyn, succeeded Dr. Swing. Mr. Gage never was active in church work. Swing was a Presbyterian, who was ousted for heresy twenty-five years ago.

A. G. Spalding, the once famous baseball pitcher, and millionaire sporting goods manufacturer, has been a member of Point Loma colony for six years.

DEEP TRANCE PRODUCED BY YOUNG GIRL BROKEN AT LAST.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., July 8.—The following account was received here to-day from Fabers, Nelson county, regarding the mysterious case of P. R. Bradshaw, a prominent business man of Brunswick, Md., which has been puzzling the physicians of that neighborhood.

ALONE, HELD UP 5 STAGE COACHES

A Solitary Bandit Halted One After Another at Bend in Road.

GOT BIG PILE OF MONEY AND JEWELS

Coaches Were Traveling in String Only Short Distance Apart, and Reached the Daring Robber in Rapid Succession.

(By Associated Press.)
WATSON, CAL., July 8.—Five Yosemite Valley stage coaches were held up yesterday near the entrance to the National Park by a lone highwayman, who obtained a considerable amount of money and jewelry. The conveyances were halted in rapid succession at a curve in the road near Ahwahnee, at the identical spot where a bandit a year ago robbed several wealthy tourists of their valuables.

The stages yesterday were traveling sufficiently far apart to avoid each other's dust, and when the first vehicle reached the turn in the road, the highwayman, whose features were hidden by a duster thrown over his head, stepped out, pointed a gun at the driver and commanded him to halt. Some of the women passengers screamed while others began wildly to secure their valuables. The highwayman directed all passengers to throw out their money and jewelry, and when the order met with compliance, he directed the driver to move on. The second coach arrived within a few minutes after the first, and the driver and passengers suffered a similar experience. The process was repeated until all five coaches had been halted and robbed. Then the bandit disappeared in the brush.

THAW SPENT QUIET DAY IN HIS CELL

Actress Pays Visit to District Attorney, Who Refuses to Discuss Matter.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, July 8.—Harry K. Thaw spent a quiet day in the Tombs to-day. He had no visitors, and arose at 7 o'clock and remained in his cell reading the Sunday newspapers until 10 o'clock, when he attended the prison chapel, conducted by Chaplain Woe. After church he exercised with the other male prisoners in the Tombs yard.

Assistant District Attorney Garvan was at his office to-day working on the Thaw case. Shortly before 5 o'clock he was visited by Miss Edna McClure, an actress, who was present in a Broadway production. She was accompanied by her mother, and the three were closeted for nearly an hour together. Mr. Garvan refused to discuss what was the subject of the conference or what information he had obtained.

FIRE IN THEATER CAUSES A PANIC

(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 8.—A slight fire in a moving picture machine in the theatre, on Young's Pier here to-night, started a panic among the several hundred persons who were in the auditorium, and a number of persons were injured in the rush for the exits. Those who were injured disappeared in the crowd on the boardwalk. Assistant Stage Manager Freund, of the Pier Theatre, was slightly hurt.

FIRE FOLLOWED COLLISION; PASSENGERS FIGHT FIERCELY

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, July 8.—Fire, following a collision on Coney Island to-night between the Elevated Railroad express and a local trolley car, caused a panic, in which six persons were injured by being trampled. The elevated train, which was going at high speed, the express had just turned the curve in the road near the Sea Beach Palace, when it crashed into the local train. Flames threatened the car. The passengers fought fiercely with each other to escape.

CABRERA PLOT FOR REVOLUTION

President of Guatemala Said to Have Entered Into Conspiracy With Alfaro.

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, July 8.—Documents are being published by which it is believed that it will be proven that President Cabrera, of Guatemala, in 1903, entered into negotiations with Dr. Prudente Alfaro, who had been vice-president of Salvador, whereby it was agreed that Alfaro should organize a revolution in Salvador against the administration of President Thomas Regalado.

ASTORS ARRIVE; WILL VISIT HERE



MRS. WILLIAM WALDORF ASTOR, JR.

QUEBEC WOMAN KILLS ASSAILANT

Acquitted by Coroner's Jury, but Arrested Later on Warrant.

ACTED IN SELF-DEFENSE

Says She Was Attacked in Absence of Husband and Had to Shoot Man.

(By Associated Press.)
RICHMOND, VT., July 8.—Eva Beard Tracey, wife of Edward Tracey, of Glen Farnham, a village over the Quebec boundary line, is in jail at Cowansville, Quebec, on a charge of murdering Forest Howard.

The Traceys formerly lived in Richmond, and were married here five years ago. Howard was shot and killed at Mrs. Tracey's home last Tuesday, but the jury, which heard the evidence in the case, returned a verdict that Mrs. Tracey acted in self-defense.

After considering the case for several days, Ernest Howard, brother of the victim, had a warrant sworn out for the arrest of Mrs. Tracey on the charge of killing his brother.

Mrs. Tracey is twenty-six years of age. She admits killing Forest Howard, but maintains that she was assaulted in the absence of her husband, and was obliged to shoot her assailant.

Shot Wife and Companion.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, July 8.—Peter Manalo to-day shot his wife and Adam Roux because he found the latter in his house this morning at an early hour, and Mrs. Manalo is probably fatally injured, but Roux was only slightly wounded. Manalo, who is the keeper of a meat market, went to work this morning, and the shooting occurred after his return home.

4 DEAD, 4 INJURED IN A HEAD-ON COLLISION

(By Associated Press.)
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 8.—In a head-on collision between two freight trains on the Western and Atlantic Railroad this morning, four lives were lost, and four persons were slightly injured. The south-bound train failed to take the switch at Key's Bridge, and crashed into the north-bound train, which was slowing up on the main line just opposite the switch. The dead are: W. P. HAMILTON, Engineer, Dalton, Ga.; H. F. PINSON, Fireman, Ellijay, Ga.; ROBERT ATKINSON, Engineer, Atlanta, Ga.; A. O. GENTRY, Fireman, same train, Atlanta, Ga.

Four men injured, were but slightly hurt. Immediately after the wreck fire broke out, consuming two cars, one of which was loaded with cattle, and burning the remains of Engineer Atkinson.

BALL GAME MAY END IN MURDER

W. T. Wyatt Under Arrest for Striking Winfree With a Bat.

WAS UNCONSCIOUS NEARLY ALL DAY

Dr. Winfree, of Glen Allen, Where Ball Game Took Place, Fears Brother's Skull is Fractured and That Injuries Are Fatal.

Charged with feloniously striking Mr. Luther Winfree with a baseball bat, W. T. Wyatt, a young man of Taylor's Crossing, two miles above Glen Allen, was arrested at an early hour yesterday morning by Officers J. L. Branch and A. C. Green, of Henrico county, and brought to Richmond, where he was placed in the city jail. He will not be given a hearing until it becomes definitely known whether or not the victim of his anger will live. At this time young Winfree, whose home is in Glen Allen, but works as a printer at Ferguson's, in the city, is in a precarious condition at the home of his brother, Dr. J. H. Winfree, at Glen Allen.

The trouble between Wyatt and Winfree occurred Saturday afternoon, and was the outcome of a baseball game played at Glen Allen. According to the facts which could be ascertained last night, young Wyatt was playing and Winfree was one of the spectators. A wager is said to have been made that Wyatt would not make a run or a hit. He did reach first base, and it appears that he was thrown out at the second bag. This precipitated a row and some words were passed between Winfree and Wyatt.

Was Long Insensible.
But there were none near enough to the two to hear the conversation and no one appears to have seen the blow it was over in a minute and, according to a report received from Glen Allen last night, Wyatt struck Winfree with the bat after the latter had turned his back and started away.

The blow was a terrific one, and landed just over the ear and across the side of the cheek. Winfree was felled and lay unconscious for a long time. He was at once taken to the home of his brother and another physician was called in.

After several hours he regained consciousness, and his first words were said to have been, "Why did Wyatt hit me?" This led many of those in the neighborhood to the belief that Winfree did not know that Wyatt intended striking him with the bat.

Last night a resident of Glen Allen, who was reached by phone, said that Dr. Winfree believed that his brother's skull was fractured, and that his condition was very critical. He was unconscious almost all of yesterday, and was apparently in great pain. Everything possible is being done for his comfort, and it is believed that he will be a casualty in Richmond if he does not soon get any better.

Taken to City Jail.

The two Henrico officers learned of the trouble late Saturday afternoon, and immediately they went in search of Wyatt. At 1:30 Sunday morning he was found in his home, at Taylor's Crossing, and was arrested and brought to the city. He was placed in the city jail, and the Henrico county jail now being under course of erection. He did not make any statement of the affair to the arresting officers, and has said little since his incarceration. A Times-Dispatch reporter was not permitted to see him last night, but he had been looking in the city jail. He is only twenty-two years of age. He has lived in the vicinity of his home practically all of his life, and the family is highly respected.

Young Mr. Winfree has been living at Glen Allen, Va., and is a well and popularly known there. He is an industrious young man, and was regarded as a very peaceable man by his employers in Richmond.

TURKS SNEAKING INTO AMERICA FROM SOUTH

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, July 8.—A large number of immigrants from Europe, consisting of Armenians, Syrians, and Arabs, have recently been arriving by German and Spanish steamers at Vera Cruz. A large portion of them come here and go north into the interior to work on railways, and not a few of them eventually cross over into the United States. During the past few months several thousand so-called Turks have reached this country. Many of them are said to be the class likely to be rejected at American ports, and have taken this way of getting entrance into the United States.

TRACKS AND BRIDGES WASHED AWAY BY RAINS

(By Associated Press.)
LAREDO, TEX., July 8.—Heavy rains, which have fallen during the past forty-eight hours, have played havoc with the National Railroad between this city and Villadamas, ninety miles south of here. Twenty-five kilometers of track and all trains have been abandoned between here and Monterrey. Hundreds of laborers have been rushed to the scene of the washouts from both directions in an endeavor to quickly repair the damage.

RESCUER DROWNED; OTHERS WERE SAVED

(By Associated Press.)
HOUSTON, TEX., July 8.—Early this morning a launch on which a party was going fishing caught fire from a leak in the gasoline tank. The party was brought safely ashore with the exception of Jesse E. White, a young man, who was the best swimmer in the party, who had done much toward getting the others out of the water. He was seized with cramps and drowned.